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fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from small-pox during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from typhus fever during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from cholera during the week, none; number of cases and deaths from plague during the week, none; number of cases from other causes during the week, 1. Prevailing disease, malarial fever. General sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, very good.

Bills of health were issued to the following vessels: June 5, steamship *Breakwater*, crew, 34; passengers from this port, 4; passengers in transit, 6; baggage disinfected, 4 pieces. June 6, steamship *Bratten*, crew, 25; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, none; baggage disinfected, none. June 9, steamship *España*, crew, 14; passengers from this port, none; passengers in transit, 4; baggage disinfected, none.

Respectfully,

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ITALY.

Report from Naples—Plague in Egypt and Madagascar—Smallpox in Italy.

NAPLES, ITALY, June 2, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended May 31, 1902, the following ships were inspected at Naples:

May 26, the steamship *Trojan Prince*, of the Prince Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 414 steerage passengers and 61 pieces of large baggage; 600 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 23 steerage passengers was advised.

May 27, the steamship *Patria*, of the Fabre Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1,114 steerage passengers and 225 pieces of large baggage; 1,100 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 68 steerage passengers was advised.

May 28, the steamship *Sardegna*, of the Italian General Navigation Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1,226 steerage passengers and 141 pieces of large baggage; 1,300 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 81 steerage passengers was advised.

May 29, the steamship *Lahn*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 783 steerage passengers and 135 pieces of large baggage; 900 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 28 steerage passengers was advised.

May 30, the steamship *Victoria*, of the Anchor Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1,046 steerage passengers and 143 pieces of large baggage; 1,100 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 36 steerage passengers was advised.

Inspection at Palermo.

At Palermo for the week ended May 31, 1902, the following ship was inspected:

May 27 and May 28, the steamship *Trojan Prince*, of the Prince Line,

bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 315 steerage passengers; 396 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 38 steerage passengers was advised.

Public health of Naples.

The local official hygienic report states that the epidemic of smallpox at Naples has entirely ceased. In this report it is recorded that, while in the first four months of the year 1901, there were 176 deaths at Naples from smallpox, in the corresponding period of the present year there have been only 23 deaths, namely, 12 in January, 5 in February, 5 in March, and 1 in April. Smallpox is, however, still prevalent in many sections of southern Italy and the island of Sicily, regions from which emigrants come. For this reason, vaccination of emigrants before embarking, which is also required by the municipal ruling, is still practised.

Plague in Egypt.

Under date of May 28, 1902, it is reported that during the past week there were 9 cases of bubonic plague at Alexandria, with 7 deaths.

Plague in Madagascar.

A note published by the French colonial office states that there are 8 cases of bubonic plague at Mojanga, Madagascar. Since May 19, 1902, there have been 4 deaths from the disease. Mojanga is officially declared infected and the Government has instituted proper quarantine measures in neighboring ports.

Respectfully,

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NAPLES, ITALY, June 9, 1902.

SIR: I have the honor to report that for the week ended June 7, 1902, the following steamships were inspected at Naples:

June 4, the steamship *Phoenicia*, of the Hamburg-American Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 1,688 steerage passengers and 344 pieces of large baggage; 2,500 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 64 steerage passengers was advised.

June 4, the steamship *Citta di Torino*, of the Veloce Line, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 790 steerage passengers and 160 pieces of large baggage; 950 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 29 steerage passengers was advised.

June 5, the steamship *Trave*, of the North German Lloyd Steamship Company, bound with passengers and cargo for New York. There were inspected and passed 877 steerage passengers and 145 pieces of large baggage; 900 pieces of baggage were disinfected by steam. The rejection of 41 steerage passengers was advised.

Smallpox at Naples.

During the fortnight ended June 7, 1902, there were officially reported at Naples 8 cases of smallpox with no deaths.

Respectfully,

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